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SUBJECT: WALDHEIM VISIT TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA

1. UN SECRETARY-GENERAL WALDHEIM PAID OFFICIAL VISIT TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA JULY 31-AUGUST 2, MEETING WITH GOVERNMENT AND PARTY LEADERS IN PRAGUE AND BRATISLAVA FOR GENERAL EXCHANGES OF VIEWS ON INTERNATIONAL SITUATION AND ON ISSUES BEFORE US.

2. DURING HIS STAY WALDHEIM MET WITH PRESIDENT SVOBODA, FEDERAL PREMIER STROUGAL, SLOVAK PREMIER COLOTKA, CHAIRMAN OF SLOVAK NATIONAL COUNCIL KLOKOC, AND PARTY PRESIDIUM MEMBER BILAK. GENERAL SECRETARY OF PARTY HUSAK, WHO WAS ATTENDING MEETING OF EE PARTY LEADERS IN CRIMEA AT TIME, HAD STROUGAL CONVEY HIS GREETINGS TO WALDHEIM. IN ADDITION, TO EXCHANGING VIEWS, CZECHOSLOVAKS CONGRATULATED WALDHEIM ON STRENGTHENING ROLE OF US AND WALDHEIM THANKED CZECHOSLOVAKS FOR THEIR SUPPORT OF UN ACTIVITIES. FOREIGN MINISTER CHNOUPEK USED OCCASION TO

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PRESENT LENGTHY SUMMARY OF STANDARD CZECHOSLOVAK POSITIONS

ON CURRENT INTERNATIONAL QUESTIONS RANGING FROM VIETNAM AND
BREZHNEV'S VISITS TO WESTERN COUNTRIES TO CSCE, MIDDLE
EAST, AND DISCRIMINATION IN SOUTH AFRICA. CHNOUPEK
REFERRED IN PASSING TO LIMITED IMPROVEMENT IN RELATIONS
WITH AUSTRIA WHICH IN FACT HAVE RECENTLY SUFFERED FROM
BORDER INCIDENTS INCLUDING CRASH OF PRIVATE AUSTRIAN PLANE
IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

3. WALDHEIM'S SCHEDULE INCLUDED VISIT TO CHARLES UNIVERSITY
WHERE RECTOR PRESENTED UNIVERSITY MEDAL TO HIM, TOUR OF UN
CENTER IN PRAGUE, RECEPTION AT FOREIGN MINISTRY GIVEN BY
CHNOUPEK, AND DINNER WITH PREMIER STROUGAL AS HOST. PRESS AND
TELEVISION GAVE PROMINENT AND COMPLETE COVERAGE TO ALL OF
WALDHEIM VISIT.
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